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of the above-identified copending prior application in which no patenting, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred. Priority to the above-identified prior application is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for this continuing application. The entire disclosure of the above-identified prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuing application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

Enclosed are:

- [ X ] Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (31 pages).
- [ X ] Formal Drawings (4 sheets, Figures 1-4).
- [ X ] Declaration and Power of Attorney (7 pages).

- Assignment of the invention to Chemfab Corporation.
- Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
- Merger of Chemfab into Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics Corporation.
- Merger Recordation Cover Sheet.
- Check in the amount of \$80.00 for Assignment and Merger recordations.
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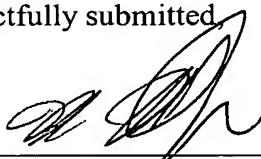
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